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3B8, MAURITIUS. The "DX News Letter" reports Mart, DL6UAA, will be on 3B8-land between **March 16th and April 3rd**. His activity may include operations on AO-10, if his licence arrives in time.

3Z, POLAND. A special event station will be active from **March 1-31st**, to celebrate the city of **Gdansk's 1000 years anniversary**. The Police Radio Club station in Gdansk will be using the special call **3Z2GD**. QSL via SP2FOV.

4S, SRI LANKA. The "DX News Sheets" states to look for Mario, HB9BRM, to be active from **March 3rd to May 30th**, or possibly longer as **4S7BRG**. QSL via bureau only.

A3, TONGA. Ulmar/DK1CE, Hilde/DL5UF and Bert/DF5WA will be active from now **until March 10th**. During their stay, they would like to try to activate the following IOTA's: **OC-049, OC-064, OC-164** (no further description given). Operation will be on CW/SSB/RTTY. Their equipment consists of a TS-690AT, IC-735 and a Yeasu FL-2100Z amplifier. Antennas consist of a FD4, R5 and some dipoles.

BS7H, 1997 DXPEDITION TO HUANG YAN DAO (Scarborough Reef). The following is an excerpt of the anticipated official announcement that was released by Tim Totten, N4GN, on February 16, 1997. OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive the complete announcement as an additional bulletin: "The Chinese Radio Sports Association (CRSA) has today announced plans for the third DXpedition to Huang Yan Dao, located in the South China Sea. A multinational team, led by BZ1OK and JA1BK...... expected to commence the one-week operation from Huang Yan Dao on Wednesday, April 30th, using the call sign BS7H. The primary goal is to provide at least one QSO with as many individual DXers as possible. For this reason, the operators will concentrate on those regions having the most difficult propagation paths (e.g., the eastern half of the U.S.), giving DXers in every corner of the globe the best possible chance to make it in the log. A secondary goal will be to provide QSOs on additional bands and modes, including 160 through 6 meters, CW, SSB, satellite and RTTY, with as many as four stations simultaneously on the air. Operators for BS7H include BZ1OK, JA1BK (who will also serve as QSL manager), JA1RJU, N7NG, W6EU (ex-WA6AUE) and W6RGG. The complete operating

team, as well as the list of transmit frequencies, will be announced once they have been finalized. Further details will be announced on the DX reflector and the BS7H 1997 Home Page (http://www.iglou.com/n4gn/sr/) as they become available. For additional information, please contact Tim Totten, N4GN (ex-KJ4VH), at E-mail n4gn@iglou.com or fax +1-502-239-7766."

INSIDE DX. It has been reported that Art, N2AU, editor of "Inside DX" has decided that issue 401, February 14th, will be his last bulletin. After 10 years of dedication and 400 issues, the DX Coummunity will miss him.

LM1SKI SPECIAL EVENT STATION (Attention Prefix Hunters!). Students from the radio club station LA1K will activate LM1SKI during the 1997 Nordic World Ski Championships. They will be active from now until March 2nd. Operations will be on all HF bands, CW/SSB/DIGI as well as VHF/UHF. Their town is also celebrating its 1000th anniversary this year, but there will be no more special calls from Trondheim except the above mentioned operation. So, prefix hunters should therefore use this opportunity to catch LM1, which never before has been used on the air! QSL information is via LA1K. Both bureau cards as well as direct requests will be handled. The new address is preferred: Akademisk Radioklubb - LA1K, Elgeseter Gt 1, N-7030 TRONDHEIM, NORWAY. A special QSL will be printed for this event. Visit their web-page (http://www.samfundet.ntnu.no/la1k) to find out more about their club station and town. LAST MINUTE UPDATE: LM2SKI will also be active on the air. QSL via LA2T. Both stations are now reported to be active on all bands CW/SSB/RTTY.

PANAMANIAN IOTA DXPEDITION. Operators Jose/HP2CWB, Emilio/HP2DFU, Ricardo/HP2CTM and possibly others plan to activate IOTA NA-202, Colon Province Group, Sunday, March 9nd. Possible callsigns to be used will be: 3F2A, H32A, and H82A. The group will try to activate a new island from this group, Isla Grande, but if not, look for them to show up on one of the other following islands: Naranjo Arriba, Naranjo Abajo, or Dos Marias O Dos Hermanas. Activity will be on the usual IOTA frequencies 40-10 meters CW/SSB. QSL via HP2CWB's Miami, Florida address: Jose NG Lee, Direct Distribution LTD, PTY-201, P.O.Box 02-5275, Miami, FL 33102-5275.

PQ/PY, MEL ISLAND POSTPONTED. Lira, PP5LL, states the PY5AA and PQ5L DXpediton from **Mel Island** (IOTA **SA-047**, DIB-24, DFB PR-01 and DFH PR-01), which was to be active this past weekend, will now take place **April 17-22th**.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- Please note that **WT4K** is now QSL manager for: **KG4GC**, **KG4AU**, **KG4FD KG4WD** and **KG4AN**. Send requests to: Bill Gallier, 4094 Sandy Run Dr. E., Middleburg, FL. 32068. (WT4K x-KQ4GC) ALSO NOTE: KG4AA and KG4US are pirates. These calls have not been issued. WT4K states he will also help anyone with QSLs to other KG4 stations. Send a note in SASE or via E-mail (<u>wt4k@bellsouth.net</u>) with your problem.
- LU6Z CARDS. The latest news coming from GACW and the LU6Z QSL manager Raul, LU6EF, is that the last batch of direct cards of the LU6Z South Orkney Island 1995/96 operation was mailed during the first week of October, 1996. Those who have not received their cards are invited to send another request to: P.O. BOX 9, 1875 WILDE, Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA. DO NOT SEND ANY GREEN STAMPS, but 2 IRCs are requested for USA/EUROPE and 3 for ASIA/AFRICA and OCEANIA. Meanwhile, the GACW is now replying to bureau cards, and to avoid delays in the Argentine bureau, they

- will be sending direct batches by mail to the foreign bureaus. Also, QSLs for the following other GACW DXpeditions and operations can be obtained via the same address: LU7X, L8D/X, LU3ZI, LU2ZC, LU6UO/Z, LU5EVB/Z; and the following special prefixes/event operations made by AY1DZ, AY6EF, AY5DVO, AY5EIE, AY9HGW, AY5BB, AY4FC and AY1CJY.
- ARMENIA POSTAL PROBLEM. OPDX received a message signed by several Armenian amateurs (EK6GC, EK6OCM, EK6DO, EK6CC, EK6GCF, EK4JJ, EK4GK, EK6SW, EK6GB, EK6GO ...) stating that EK has a postal problem and envelopes are being opened with their contents being stolen. The Armenian amateurs are very sorry that this is taking place, and for amateurs who are still not receiving a QSL from EK. Steps are being taken to try to correct the problem. The Armenians had a conversation with the Ministry of Communication of Armenia, and he has given a promise to correct this situation. They hope that the problem will end soon and everything will be OK to send a QSL to EK in future. They ask to report any problems via their E-mail address: ampr@arminco.com
- QSL info for the recent **St. Peter & St. Paul** Rocks DXpedition:

ZYOSG via PT7AA: Pergentino L de Andrade, Av Ososrio de Paiva 75, 60720-000 Fortaleza, CE, Brazil E-mail: pt7aa@fordx.ampr.org

ZYOSK via PS7KM: Karl M Leite, Rua Estacio de Sa 1838, 59054-580 Natal, RN, Brazil
E-mail: kleite@summer.com.br

Visit the St. Peter & St. Paul Rocks Home Page at: http://www.glomec.com.br/rocks/index.html Karl, PS7KM, would like to thank the many people who are sending more than 1 green stamp to cover postal costs. They state the team really had a lot of expenses with the trip, and "extra" green stamps has really helped them...

TT, CHAD. Look for EA2CLU to be active now **through February 28th**. He will use the callsign **TT8FC** and plans to be active on CW and SSB during his free time on this business trip. A QSL Manager will be announced at a later date.

TY, BENIN. Arnold, **TY1NI**, will be active from here the **next two weeks**. He runs 100 watts in an FD4 and will be operating mainly on SSB. QSL via PE1IVQ. BTW, he does have an InterNet address: Arnold.Bosch@Net.WAU.NL

V2, ANTIGUA. (The following is an excerpt of a press release. A full and complete release will be sent to all OPDX InterNet Subscribers as an additional bulletin). Team Antigua is again pleased to announce that it will be activating V26B in the upcoming ARRL International DX SSB Contest in March. They will be entering the contest as a Multi-Operator and Multi-transmitter catagory..... They will be there from February 27th to March 4th. Operators are: V26A (N3BNA), V26AK (WB2P), V26B (WT3Q), V26DX (KK3S), V26E (AB2E), V26T (K3MQH), V26R (KA2AEV), V26RN (KR2J), V26TS (KF3P) and V26U (WA2UDT). QSL via their homecalls..... A 5 band and 6 band Certificates of Appreciation will be available once again for the 1997 operation. Briefly, to qualify for these Special Certificates of Appreciation, all you have to do is work V26B during the ARRL SSB Contest period on either 5 bands, or to receive the Special Certificate of Appreciation, 6 bands! Team Antigua has many members of

the Frankford Radio Club and are celebrating their 70th Anniversary by sponsoring a very special award. Additional information for this special Certificate and a full list of members of the Frankford Radio Club may befound on their WEB page at: http://www.frc-contest.org/70th.html Members of Team Antigua will also make special attempts to be active on the WARC Bands, RTTY, 160 meters, as well as some Satellites! Also, check out the V26B WWW site, complete with photos and descriptions of their station. Its URL is: http://www.frc-contest.org/v26b.html

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Operators W5AU, K5RV, W5FYZ, N5EPU, and N5XIQ will be active **February 27th through March 4th**. Activity will also include participation in the **ARRL DX Phone Contest** using the callsign **ZF2FT**. Operations will be on 160-10 meters. CW operation will take place mainly before and after the contest. QSL via K5RV (ex N5OCD).

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